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**Mail Stop Amendment**

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Application No. 10/648,263; Filed: August 27, 2003  
For: **Bearing Arrangement For Reaction Mass In A Controlled Environment**  
Inventor: Santiago E. del Puerto  
Our Ref: 1857.1690000

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Fee Transmittal (PTO/SB/17);
2. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
3. Three (3) annotated drawing sheets, showing requested corrections to Figures 1A, 1B, and 2;
4. Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Replacement Drawings;
5. Five (5) formal replacement drawings sheets, showing Figures 1A, 1B, 2, 3-4, and 5, approval and entry of which are respectfully requested;
6. Information Disclosure Statement;
7. Form PTO-1449 (1 page) citing 2 documents;
8. Copy of cited document AR1;
9. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038); and
10. One (1) return postcard.

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Submitted herewith are five (5) sheets of formal replacement drawings showing Figures 1A, 1B, 2, 3-4, and 5, corresponding to the informal drawings submitted with the above-captioned application. Identification of the drawings is provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(c). Acknowledgment of the receipt, approval, and entry of these formal drawings into this application is respectfully requested.

Applicant notes that the formal replacement drawings incorporate corrections to Figures 1A, 1B, and 2, as requested by the Examiner and submitted with the Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 filed herewith. Annotated drawing sheets showing the requested corrections in red ink are also submitted herewith.

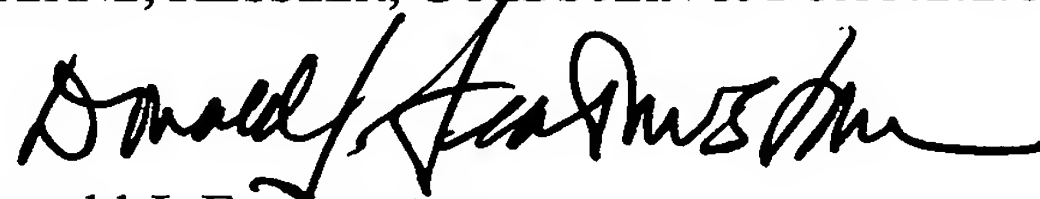
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